

\$800,000 AID BY CONGRESS

Quick Action in Italy's Behalf
Following

AFTER A RELIEF MESSAGE

From the President—The Original Sum
Is Bettered—House and Senate Ap-
prove Appropriation of Over
Three-fourths of a Million.

Washington, Jan. 5.—President Roosevelt in a message to Congress yesterday asked for a direct appropriation of half a million dollars for the relief of the stricken people in the earthquake zone of Italy. This, the most generous fund ever contributed by the American people for the succor of sufferers in other lands, is to supplement the despatch of the supply ships Celtic from New York and the Culgoa from Port Said for Messina with their big cargoes of necessities, originally intended for the American fleet, diverted to the immediate use of the Italian victims.

It also supplements the president's proffer of the services of the entire American fleet of sixteen battleships, whose use, in whole or in part, hinged only on the acceptance or declination of the Italian government. The message was brief, and plans had been made for the immediate enactment into law of its recommendations. The message follows:

The Message.

"To the Senate and House of Representatives:

"The appalling calamity which has befallen the people of Italy is followed by distress and suffering throughout a wide region among many thousands who have escaped with life, but whose shelter and food and means of living are destroyed. The ordinary machinery for supplying the wants of civilized communities is paralyzed; and an exceptional emergency exists which demands that the obligations of humanity shall regard no limit of nationalities.

"Confident of your approval, I have ordered the government supply ships Celtic and Culgoa to the scene of disaster, where, upon receiving the authority which I now ask from you, they will be able to dispense food, clothing, and other supplies with which they are laden to the value of about \$300,000. The Celtic has already sailed and the Culgoa is at Port Said. Eight vessels of the returning battleship fleet are already under orders for Italian waters, and that government has been asked if their services can be made useful.

"I recommend that the Congress approve the application of supplies above indicated, and further appropriate the sum of \$800,000 to be applied to the work of relief at the discretion of the executive and with the consent of the Italian government.

"I suggest that the law follow the

Often The Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

It used to be considered that only urinary and bladder troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all diseases have their beginning in the disorder of the most important organs.

The kidneys filter and purify the blood—that is their work.

Therefore, when your kidneys are weak or out of order, you can understand how quickly your entire body is affected and how every organ seems to fail to do its duty.

If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking the great kidney remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, because as soon as your kidneys are well they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It stands the highest of its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases, and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

Home of Swamp-Root.
By mail free, also a pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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Seventeen old reliable Stock Companies and five Mutuals Take your choice. Call and investigate. Any competition met, in companies that have had an experience of from 25 to 100 years.

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Constipation Hood's Pills

form of that passed after the Mont Pelée disaster in 1902.
Theodore Roosevelt."

Congress Acts Promptly.

Resolutions were introduced in the Senate and House in accordance with the message. The resolutions provided that the money shall be used for provisions, clothing, medicines, and other necessary articles, and the president is authorized to employ any vessel of the United States navy, or to charter and employ other suitable steamships or vessels to carry out the purpose of this government.

As a result of the president's message the House added \$300,000 to its appropriation, making in all \$800,000 instead of \$500,000, as originally planned, to be given for the sufferers.

At the conference at the White House last night, which was attended by Speaker Cannon, the sum of \$500,000 was agreed upon as the amount which should be appropriated. The sum was included in the act drafted by the appropriation committee. Ten minutes before the House convened the speaker received a letter from the White House suggesting that the amount be increased to \$800,000. Before any action could be taken by the committee on appropriations, the House was in receipt of the president's message on the subject.

At the hurried meeting of the committee in front of the speaker's desk the amount was increased to conform with the president's later recommendation.

With comparatively no delay Mr. Hale reported to the Senate a resolution adopted by the committee on appropriations, and it was agreed to with only one vote in the negative, which was cast by Senator Bailey.

The Senate agreed to the House resolution making the total sum \$800,000.

GODDARD'S GAME.

Defeated Barre Independents, 42 to 13, Last Evening.

Last night the Goddard seminary basketball team defeated the Independents of Barre, 42 to 13, in the Goddard gym. The game was very fast and close in the first period, but in the last two periods the Goddard boys ran away from their opponents. Scampini played a very creditable game for Goddard, playing Norwich university's star forward, Allan Reid, to a standstill. Richardson was high scorer, with ten baskets to his credit, while Spaulding was not far behind, with a total of sixteen points for his team.

Goddard Sem. Independents.
Spaulding, 1 f. g. Riley, r g
Richardson, Sector, r f. l. g. L. Carwell
Moore, Boynton, c. c. McDonald, Maiden
Willmer, Alexander (capt.), l. g. . . .
Scampini, Berry, r g. J. Reid
Summary: Backs from floor, Richardson 3, Spaulding 3, Moore, Scampini, Alexander, MacDonald 2, Reid 2, Carwell 1; baskets from fouls, Spaulding 6, MacDonald, Riley 2; fouls called, on Goddard 12, on Independents 10; referee, Smith; timer, Rand; time, three 15-minute periods.

NEW COMEDY DRAMA.

"Thorns and Orange Blossoms," at Barre Opera House Saturday.

One of the newest and best comedy drama productions of the season will be offered at the opera house next Saturday matinee and night, when Rowland & Clifford's exceptionally well selected company of players, headed by Miss Edna Earle Linden, will present Lem B. Parker's dramatization of Bertha B. Clark's popular book, "Thorns and Orange Blossoms," a brief of the splendid play is as follows:

In Warwickshire, England, under the walls of St. Byn's parish, Violet Beaton grew to fair young womanhood, reared by an embittered maiden aunt. Violet had accepted her teaching that the aristocracy is the natural, logical enemy of the common people. From Warwickshire came Randolph, Lord Ryvers, patrician by birth, artist by nature. Learning her antipathy toward the aristocracy, he wooed and won her as Mr. Randolph, a struggling artist. At St. Phillip, Italy, Richard Carstone, a wealthy man of the people, met and loved the artist's wife. He sowed the seeds of dissension between them. By accident they met Randolph's aristocratic mother, Mrs. St. Phillip. His mother's hatred for the common people is as uncompromising as his wife's for the aristocracy. Tommy Swift, a young Chicagoan, traveling abroad, appears upon the scene. With him and Monica, to see is to love, and her faithful suitor, Lord Rupert Forrest-Hay, is left as far behind in Tommy's characteristic American rush as a hot horse on a race course.

In the second act, Randolph's mother, believing it her duty, sets about to rid her son of the wife, no matter to what lengths she must go. With the aid of Richard Carstone, she succeeds, and after an act of bitter domestic struggles, the curtain falls upon the wife's desperate denunciation and flight from the husband, who believes wishes to be rid of her. The third act depicts the wife's heart-breaking, soul-trying struggles against illness, starvation, winter's merciless cold and a villain's efforts to degrade her, and closes upon Lord Forrest-Hay's noble sacrifice of life for the honor of his friends. The fourth act takes us back to St. Byn's, where Tommy and Monica have eloped, followed by her irate mother. Ill and weary, Violet comes to St. Byn's to beg the aunt, who never forgave her marriage, to shelter the babe that nestles in her failing arms. Told that her aunt is dead, she swoons at the door. She is cared for by Tommy and Monica. Driven hither by his memories, Lord Ryvers, who has watched vainly for his wife, learns of her presence and the existence of a son and heir. His mother's spirit is broken when she learns of the babe, and the intensely human drama ends in the prettiest picture ever presented to the gaze of dramatic patrons.

William's Kidney Pills.
Have you neglected your kidneys? Have you overworked your nervous system and caused trouble with your kidneys and bladder? Have you a weak, ailing, aching, swollen and bloated? Have you a shabby appearance of the face, especially under the eyes? The frequent desire to pass urine? If so, William's Kidney Pills will cure you, as druggists, prices 25c. and 50c. bottles. Sold by C. H. Kendrick & Co., Barre, Vt.

HAINS TELLS HIS STORY

Face to Face With Possibility
of Death

WAS SLIGHTLY NERVOUS

It Was Evident That He Had Been
Well Rehearsed in His Part—Told
of His Actions in the Minute
Detail.

Flushing, L. I., Jan. 5.—Thornton J. Hains told his own story yesterday. Face to face with the possibility of death in the electric chair for complicity in the killing of William E. Angus, he sat in the witness chair and testified as calmly as if he were merely telling a story to a crowd of friends instead of twelve jurymen who held his fate in the balance. A slight trace of nervousness, apparent when he first arose from the sea beside his counsel to walk to the witness chair, soon wore off and before he had spoken half a dozen words he was the same cool, calm Thornton Hains as he has been on every day save one—the day when the widow of the slain man testified against him. He assumed an easy attitude in the chair and swept the court room with a glance of easy assurance. Then he plunged into his story. From the first it was very evident that it had been well rehearsed. His lawyers were with him in the jail until a late hour Sunday night, instructing him how to meet the ordeal of yesterday. He was ready with his responses and exact in even the minutest details.

There was no lack of cheerfulness in Thornton Hains' demeanor when he entered court yesterday. Perhaps it was the knowledge that his trial was soon to be over—perhaps it was the fact that he realized the strength of his own story. Whatever the cause, he smiled continuously during the morning and laughingly promised a newspaper man to testify "slowly and distinctly."

The old general—father of the defendant—preceded him on the stand. As he finished his testimony and stepped aside, John F. McIntyre, chief of the attorneys for the defense, said: "I'll now call Thornton J. Hains."

Thornton Hains arose, and with a rather quickly, slightly nervous stride, passed behind the row of press seats and jury box to the vacant chair beside Justice Crane's bench. As he went up his father passed him and gave him a look of encouragement.

The court room was crowded. There were many women present. As the defendant was sworn, silence reigned. The defendant was dressed in a black suit, striped shirt and bow tie. It was the attire he has worn every day since the commencement of his trial. As he settled himself in the chair and crossed his legs in the manner of a man who says, "Now, I'll tell you a story," the light of the great window at his back fell full upon him.

The court room saw a man of stocky build, broad across the shoulders, of rather short stature, with thick brown hair carefully parted and brushed back from a broad forehead, and wearing a short brown mustache. His hands were long and tapering, like those of a woman, and his voice rather belied his sturdy appearance, for it had a soft, rather effeminate sound.

"In June, 1908," he said, "I was living at Bay Ridge, near Fort Hamilton. I saw little of my brother, he being in the army and a sailor. A year ago last October he sailed for the Philippines. I did not see him again until May 31, 1908. I was awakened by a crash on the door," continued Thornton Hains. "My brother rushed into the room, crying, 'I apologize. I have broken your door.' I said to him, 'What brings you here?' and raising his hands above his head, he cried, 'Claudia has told me everything. You must help me.' The captain kept saying that his wife had been with Anna, and put his head in his hands."

NEW YORK'S WHITE DEATH WAR.

Plans Made to Treat Every Case of Tuberculosis.

New York, Jan. 5.—Every case of tuberculosis, incipient or late, in New York City, will soon be discovered, recorded, and, if possible, cured, if the plan set on foot by the Association of Tuberculosis Clinics now well matured, can be carried out. Notable representatives of the medical profession have lent their skill and time for this work and its successful accomplishment now depends only upon the financial support of private individuals. The health department has now brought the mortality from tuberculosis in this city down 25 per cent. in recent years. Forty thousand cases remain, three-fourths of which are in the tenement district. On Jan. 8 at the Waldorf-Astoria a meeting will be held to discuss public interest in the movement. The plan of the association is to divide the whole city into districts. Each district will have its own dispensary and its own specially equipped physicians and nurses, who will give undivided attention to their particular field. There will also be a central bureau from which the work will be broadly directed. The minor organizations will make a house to house canvass, and treat every case of tuberculosis discovered.

DETROIT BANKER A SUICIDE.

Potter of People's State Bank Kills Himself.

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 4.—Henry C. Potter, Jr., of this city, vice-president of the People's State Savings bank of this city, committed suicide at his home yesterday morning. He had been suffering from nervous prostration at his home for some time.

COLD WAVE; HIGH WIND COMING.

A Special Prediction by the Weather Bureau.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The most marked cold wave of the season with high winds, is spreading over the West and headed for the East and South, according to a special forecast issued yesterday by the weather bureau.

One of the Essentials

of the happy homes of to-day is a vast fund of information as to the best methods of promoting health and happiness and right living and knowledge of the world's best products.

Products of actual excellence and reasonable claims truthfully presented and acceptance through the approval of the Well-Informed of the World; not of individuals only, but of the many who have the happy faculty of selecting and obtaining the best of the world affords.

One of the products of that class, of known component parts, an Ethical remedy, approved by physicians and commended by the Well-Informed of the World as a valuable and wholesome family laxative is the well-known Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

GERMAN EMPEROR TO LIVE IN A SIMPLE WAY

Intends to Travel Less and Is Going to
Sell a Few Residences.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—It is reported in court circles that the emperor has issued instructions to the officers of the household for greater economy. The emperor intends to travel less and live in a simpler manner this year.

Count Eulenburg, heard of the imperial household, announces that the number of court festivities will be some during previous winters.

The reports that the emperor desires to sell some of his castles is confirmed. Since the emperor has 52 provincial residences there are some which he cares nothing for and one or two that he has never visited.

The projected economies are undertaken because recent events have rendered this an inopportune time to ask the Prussian Parliament for an increase in the allowances to the emperor as king of Prussia. The empire itself makes no grants for the maintenance of the emperor and his family.

CURRENT COMMENT

The Why of It.

Barre young women broke no records in 1908—leap year—in matter of securing life partners. But they did pretty well. There were three more marriage licenses issued in Barre during the year than in Rutland. As a matter of record, in Barre, Rutland and nearly every other town in the country, owing to financial depression or the traditions of leap year, or both, the crop of marriages was below the preceding year—Rutland News.

Long Sessions Hereafter.

The legislature comes back the first of the year to remain in session until the work is completed. There has been a great deal this year about the work moving slowly, and it has moved slowly in a good many respects. The bills introduced have come in slowly, and the members have been slow in getting into the harness and pulling hard enough to tighten the tugs. Everything of importance has been left, as it has in past years, until the last. However slow things have gone, not as much time has been used this year up to date as by the legislature of 1906.

The facts of the case are, the sessions from now on are going to be longer than they used to be. Business is increasing in the state. It took a long time to realize that our state departments are having much more to handle than they used to, have therefore been entitled to more pay and more clerk hire to carry on the work. But the state has realized it at last. It will be found that the legislature in the future will never again be through its work by Thanksgiving, and will likely never again close affairs properly before Christmas. There is no business in the state that there used to be, and this has necessitated a call for more legislation. A glance at the volume in which the bills introduced are kept, is enough in itself to cause a realization of the work and do that rests on a legislature.

The state might just as well figure in a large appropriation for the legislature than it has before, for they are not going to adjourn in 40 days or 50 days, or 60 days, or probably 80 days any more. The legislature meets only biennially in this state, and perhaps if the time is improved properly, a legislature of 80 days is not unreasonable. The state rather have its work done well, if it takes longer, and as Governor Proctor told the senators, the important work, the record of the present legislature, lies before it.

The Journal is inclined to the opinion that the rest will do the members good and that some sort of an intermission ought to be had every session in which the members could get away from the whirl and nightmare of rapid legislation to stop and consider on important measures, and get some real convictions.—Montpelier Journal.

KILL THE GERMS

That's The Only Way to Cure Dandruff, and Parisian Sage Is The Only Killer.

"Parisian Sage," said a New York barber, "will kill the destructive and persistent germs of dandruff, and abolish the disease. There may be other remedies that will do the same, but I never heard of one."

And just read what one of the foremost barbers of Springfield, Mass., says of Parisian Sage:

"Dear Sir: I used your Parisian Sage and found it better than any other. It is the best hair restorer I ever used, and I have used them all. I find it a great dandruff remover also. You should get it into all the barber shops and get the barbers to use it, as it is great."—Geo. A. Sillis, 73½ Main street, Springfield, Mass.

Parisian Sage reaches into the scalp, and when it supplies the hair with just the right kind of nourishment to put vigor and strength into it and make it grow.

Parisian Sage is the most delightful hair dressing in the world. Use it one week and you will never give it up. Parisian Sage is guaranteed by the Red Cross pharmacy to stop falling hair; to cure dandruff; to keep hair from fading; to cure itching of the scalp, or money back. Price 50 cents a bottle at the Red Cross pharmacy or by express, charges prepaid, from Giroux Mfg. Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

TAFT MAY KEEP MEYER

Lodge's Mission Probably
Was Successful

HITCHCOCK HAS WORK

Enough in Chairmanship—Mr. Meyer
Probably Will Be Reappointed—
Cabinet Might Also Have An-
other Man from Mass.

Washington, Jan. 5.—Senator Lodge has returned from Augusta, where he had been in conference with President-elect Taft, and this morning had a long talk with President Roosevelt in the White House. It has not been denied by the senator that a chief purpose of his trip was to discuss the cabinet make-up, and that he would urge the availability of George von L. Meyer of Massachusetts. The senator refused to discuss his visit, or to outline the understanding which apparently had been reached with the president-elect. It may be regarded as certain, however, that a cabinet position will be tendered to Mr. Meyer, and the indications point to his reappointment as postmaster general.

With another Massachusetts man being urged for secretary of the navy, the selection of Mr. Meyer for that position might be capable of a construction which would be impossible if only one man were in the field; while the return to Mr. Meyer of the portfolio with which he has been distinctly successful would violate no amenities. It appears to be the purpose of the incoming Administration to reconcile all sections of the country along carefully prepared political lines, and therefore the national chairmanship offers a distinct field for work which has been lacking between elections in previous years. The work of National Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock, therefore, would appear to be cut out for him for the next few years, and he would not be called upon to make the "personal sacrifice" of entering the cabinet. Frank, however, there is no evidence upon which to base a definite forecast regarding the cabinet disposition of Massachusetts men. The attitude of Senator Lodge yesterday is that of a man who has successfully accomplished a pleasant mission. He intimated that any announcement relating to the subject must be made by others.

CHURCHES INCREASED.

Four Rutland Denominations Took New Members Sunday.

Rutland, Jan. 5.—There was reception of new members at four of the Rutland Protestant churches Sunday, 78 people joining the ranks of the local church workers. This large addition to the church membership is due, more or less directly, to the Chapman revival meetings a month ago. The number of people whose names were enrolled by the churches follows: Congregational 51, by profession of faith 33, by letter 18; Methodist, 14; Baptist, 11; Advent Christian, two.

The number of people received at the Congregational church Sunday beats all previous records except in one instance during the pastorate of Rev. Dr. James Gibson Johnson about 30 years ago when 100 people were received at one time. This followed a month's revivals under the direction of Major Whittle. There were about 400 communicants at the celebration of the Lord's supper at the church Sunday.

HAD GOOD INSURANCE.

Principal Dutton of Troy Conference Academy Loses a Barn.

Poulin, Jan. 5.—The barn belonging to Rev. Dr. Charles B. Dutton, in the rear of his house, was almost totally destroyed by fire yesterday morning at 4 o'clock. The cause of the fire is an entire mystery.

In the barn were stored nearly all of the furniture of Mrs. Dutton's sister, Mrs. Dr. Eaton, formerly of Schenectady, N. Y., a large quantity of fur and other provisions belonging to Troy Conference academy and some books.

The net loss will be small, as the insurance will cover the property pretty well.

DECISION A BLOW TO STOCK.

Twenty-Two-Point Drop in The Market on Receipt of The Decision.

New York, Jan. 5.—When the decision in the Consolidated Gas case came out the stock was selling at 161½. From that price it broke by rapid stages to 139. The rest of the market sold off sharply in sympathy. A cumulative rebound in prices followed the first violent break. The rebound in Consolidated Gas reached over 7 points.

HOME FOR EMBASSY.

Senate Passes Bill for U. S. Building in Paris.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The Senate yesterday passed the bill authorizing the purchase at a limit of cost not exceeding \$400,000 of a site and building in Paris for use of the United States embassy there.

A Sceptic.

Scott—I remember trading of a very rich man who said he'd sooner be poor. Mott—Yes, and probably you remember reading somewhere that all men are liars.—Boston Transcript.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

Try Ceresota Flour

once. Deception never sold a bad barrel twice.

If there were no difference in flour, then all flour would be alike, no matter where the wheat grew, and every barrel of flour would produce the same number of loaves of bread.



Let the children be the jury on the quality of Ceresota. Judge by what they say.

OIL FINE RE-VERSAL STANDS

Supreme Court Refuses a Re-hearing

IT DENIES THE PETITION

Of the Government—No Punishment Now for the Standard—Judge Landis Had Imposed a Penalty of \$29,240,000.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The \$29,000,000 fine case of the Standard Oil company will not be revived by the supreme court of the United States. The decision of the court in this effect was announced by Chief Justice Fuller soon after the court convened yesterday.

The case came to the court on a petition filed by the government, asking the court in a petition for a writ of certiorari to order up the record in the case for a review of the decision of the United States circuit court of appeals for the seventh circuit, by which Judge Landis' original decision imposing a fine of \$29,000,000 against the Standard Oil company for accepting rebates from the railroad companies was reversed.

In the supreme court the case turned largely upon the right of the court to interfere in view of the fact that the case had been passed upon by the court of appeals, the government contending for such privilege as a right, while it was urged in behalf of the oil company that the precedents were all against such a proceeding. The action of the court consisted in the announcement that the government's petition would not be granted.

The effect of this announcement will be to leave standing the decision of the court of appeals, which was adverse to the company.

ON GUARD

Am yourself against Grippe, Influenza, Bronchitis, Cold in the Head, Catarrh and Pneumonia. Many a serious illness begins with a simple cold that you can guard against by carrying with you a packet of...



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And ward off attacks of Grippe, Influenza, Bronchitis, Cold in the Head, Catarrh and Pneumonia. Many a serious illness begins with a simple cold that you can guard against by carrying with you a packet of...

Red Cross Pharmacy